



Jefferson County Canvassing Board

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Canvassing Board Meeting Jefferson County WA November 4, 2014, General Election

Date & Time: November 25, 2014 / 8:30 a.m.
Location: Auditor's Office
Purpose: Election Certification (RCW 29A.60.190)

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Betty Johnson, Election Coordinator.

Canvass Board Members:

Donna M. Eldridge, County Auditor, Canvassing Board Chair
John Austin, Chair, Board of County Commissioners
David Alvarez, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Canvass Board met November 24, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. to resolve challenged ballot issues in preparation for final certification.

Required Oaths:

- **Oath of County Auditor:**
Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, or his designee, to administer oath pursuant to RCW 29A.60.200 and signed by all three members at beginning of meeting.
- **Delegation of Authority and Oaths for Canvassing Board Members or their designee:**
WAC 434-262-015. Obtained and filed with election materials.
- **Oath for Personnel:** Pursuant to WAC 434-240-240, this oath is required for the Auditor's Staff. Obtained and filed with election materials.

Required Notices:

- Notice of Election (RCW 29A.52.355): Published in the Port Townsend Jefferson County Leader in the Sept. 24, 2014 issue and posted on the Elections web page.
- Notice of Availability of Services (RCW 29A.04.220). Included in Notice of Election.
- Notice of Logic & Accuracy Test (WAC 434-335-320). Included in Notice of Election.
- Notice to Political Parties - Sent via email Sept. 10, 2014: 1) Requesting official observers; 2) Notification that staff will do all pre-inspection; and 3) Schedule of Events.

Test Deck:

Used to verify the tabulating equipment is accurately tabulating the votes cast as marked. The in-house **Unofficial** logic and accuracy test was done on Sept. 8, 2014. The **Official** logic and accuracy test was done on Oct. 10, 2014. Joe MacLean, from the Secretary of State's Office, was present.

Ballot Count:

Cumulative AND Precinct Reports for the following counts included:
November 4, 2014 – Election Night count
November 5, 2014 – 2nd count

November 6, 2014 – 3rd count
November 24, 2014 – 4th count (pre-certification).
November 25, 2014 – Final printout for certification

AutoMARK: (Disability Voting Access Unit)

One machine was programmed and ready for use 20 days prior to the election. One voter used it for this election.

Logs:

Seal Logs: Logs verify that all election related materials remain under dual control at all times.

Spoiled Ballot Logs / Spoiled Ballots: Verifies all ballots spoiled are accounted for and secured with canvassing materials. A total of 1317 ballots were **duplicated** (8%)

System log, for ballot tabulator, showing no unauthorized access was made.

Undeliverable Ballots:

There were a total of 115 (.005%) undeliverable ballots. They will be used for file maintenance in the voter registration database.

Reconciliation Report:

The number of ballots counted equals the number of voters given credit.

The number of All Mail Ballots voted and returned to the auditor is reported on the Cumulative Ballots Returned by Voting Precinct report. The number of returned ballots tabulated by precinct is verified with this report.

Challenged Ballots:

Challenge letters were sent to voters with instructions on how to resolve the challenge. Per RCW, on November 19, 2014, a follow up phone call (if phone number was available) was made to those voters who did not respond to the challenge letter.

Miscellaneous:

Provisional: 1 – Voter was Inactive but eligible. Ballot was processed. Voted provisional ballot in Kitsap Co. Other county should have provided the voter with a MyBallot. Resolution by Canvass Board not required. Voter will be notified by mail of outcome.

Wrong Ballot: 8 ballots from previous elections were returned. Envelopes were opened by two staff to verify voter did not put General ballot in previous election envelope.

Two Ballots: 1 Primary and **1** General ballot in one envelope. Removed Primary ballot and processed General ballot.

Empty declaration envelopes – no ballot enclosed: Received **3**. No action needed.

No Declaration: 2 (ballots in secrecy envelope deposited in drop boxes – no way to identify).

Total Ballots referred to the Canvassing Board (Nov. 24, 2014): 93

- No Signature: **21** Includes 4 No Sig w/exception.
- Questionable Signature: **15** (Canvass. Board resolved signatures on 11/24/14 which are included in the count).
- Signed by Someone else: **1**
- Attempted to Vote Twice: **2**
- Post Marked Too Late: **53** – Voters will be sent letter.
- Follow up ballot from UOCAVA: **1** (1st ballot received via email counted)

Ballots referred to the Canvassing Board were reviewed by the Canvass Board Members on 11/24/14. Questionable ballots, and any other ballots accepted, as noted, were processed and included in the final count. All three Canvassing Board Members were present.

Item#

G-A	No Signature	Authorization to Reject	_____
G-B	Post Mark Too Late	Authorization to Reject	_____
G-C	No Declaration	Authorization to Reject	_____

1	Follow up ballot from UOCAVA	Authorization to Reject	_____
2	Attempted to Vote Twice	Refer to Pros. Attorney?	_____
3	Attempted to Vote Twice	Refer to Pros. Attorney?	_____

		Accept	Reject	
4	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
5	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
6	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
7	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
8	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
9	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
10	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
11	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
12	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
13	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
14	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
15	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
16	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
17	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
18	Quest Sig	_____	_____	
19	Someone else signed voter's name?	_____	_____	Refer to Prosecuting Attorney? ____
20	No Sig w/exception	_____	_____	
21	No Sig w/exception	_____	_____	
22	No Sig w/exception	_____	_____	
23	No Sig w/exception	_____	_____	

Number of Ballots Accepted by Canvass Board: _____ (to be included in final count)

Number of Ballots Rejected by Canvass Board: _____

Number of ballots referred to Prosecuting Attorney: _____

All ballots referred to Canvassing Board will be packed in the retention box.

Motion to:

1. Reject items (Groups A - C and Item # 1.
2. Refer item #'s _____ to Prosecuting Attorney.
3. Accept / Reject questionable signatures & other misc. ballots as noted next to each item.

Motion made by: _____ Second by: _____

All in favor: _____

Total All Mail Ballots Issued: **22867** plus **9** ACP voters for this election.

Total All Mail Ballots Returned as valid and reconciled with credit for voting: _____ (includes 7 ACP voters)

Recount:

Based on the ballot totals and recount criteria a recount is not required for any of the races.

Other Canvassing Items Include:

- All correspondence pertaining to this election.
- Affidavits of Publication.
- Correspondence for all resolved & unresolved challenged ballots (to include call center log).
- Certification of Mailing for Mail Ballots
- Record of Emailed ballots.

Security:

All materials for Canvassing including all voted ballots and spoiled ballots are secured with a numbered seal and will remain secured until the time passes for a recount. At that time, materials will be sent to retention. RCW 29A.60.110

Questions / Comments?

Certificate of Canvassing Board signed.

Official returns will be sent to:

Office of Secretary of State
Public Utility District
Quilcene Fire Protection District #2

These minutes shall be open to public inspection. RCW 42.32.030

Motion to adjourn:

Motion made by: _____

Second by: _____

All in favor: _____

Meeting Adjourned at _____ a.m.

Dated at Port Townsend, Washington, this 25th day of November 2014.

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